

# MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF HAYWARD

City Council Chambers 777 B Street, Hayward, CA 94541 Tuesday, May 13, 2003, 8:00 p.m.

## **MEETING**

The Meeting of the City Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Cooper at 8:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member Hilson.

## ROLL CALL

Present: COUNCIL MEMBERS Jimenez, Hilson,

Rodriquez, Ward, Dowling, Henson

MAYOR Cooper

Absent: None

**PROCLAMATION:** May 9 – 16 as National Police Week, and

May 15 as Peace Officers' Memorial Day

A presentation was made to encourage all citizens to remember those individuals who gave their lives for our safety and express appreciation to those who continue to dedicate themselves to making Hayward a safer place in which to live. Deputy Chief Houghtelling accepted the proclamation and invited all to the celebration at Southland Mall, Thursday through Saturday, where there will be displays and activities.

**PRESENTATION:** Pride in Hayward Award

The Pride in Hayward Award recipients were selected by Council Member Jimenez from the following neighborhoods and are: Jose and Maria Furtado, Harder-Tennyson; Clay and Maureen Person, Mission Foothills; Billy and Irene Singh, Glen Eden; Ramon and Yvonne Mesia, Tennyson-Alquire; and Jose and Lilia Malogan, in the Southgate area. Mayor Cooper thanked all of these residents for the pride they take in their homes and the City.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Jason Moreno commented on the abandoned vehicle program and suggested an electronic form for reporting.

Kasuf Olomi, a taxi driver, was concerned with the taxi permit process for Hayward being too time consuming and requires the same test to be taken year after year. He asked that the Council revise this process to alleviate his concerns.

Helen Ruiz-Thomas spoke representing La Familia Neighborhood Resource Center. She presented supporting documents of the Center and introduced the community supporters who were present.

She urged support of City funding for the Center and the fiscal impact on its programs if funding is not received.

## **CONSENT**

1. Approval of Minutes of the City Council Meeting of May 6, 2003

It was <u>moved by Council Member Henson</u>, seconded by Council Member Ward, and <u>unanimously</u> <u>carried</u> to approve the minutes of the City Council Meeting of May 6, 2003.

2. Final Map Tract 7438 - Balch Investment Group and John Rassier, et al, (Subdividers) - Approval of Final Map, Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Subdivision Agreement

Staff report submitted by Development Review Engineer Gaber, dated May 13, 2003, was filed.

It was <u>moved by Council Member Henson</u>, seconded by Council Member Ward, and <u>unanimously</u> <u>carried</u> to adopt the following:

Resolution 03-068, "Resolution Approving Final Map for Tract 7438 and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Subdivision Agreement"

3. Revisions to the Records Retention Schedule

Staff report submitted by City Clerk Reyes, dated May 13, 2003, was filed.

It was <u>moved by Council Member Henson</u>, seconded by Council Member Ward, and <u>unanimously</u> <u>carried</u> to adopt the following:

Resolution 03-069, "Resolution Adopting the Recommended Revisions to the Records Retention Program Policy and Schedule"

## HEARINGS

4. Fiscal Year 2003-04 Social Services Funding Recommendations

Staff report submitted by Social Services Planning Manager Korth, dated May 13, 2003, was filed.

Social Services Planning Manager Korth described the process and spoke of attempting to achieve a balance between previously supported programs with new proposals recommended for funding. He reported that no changes were made after the appeals hearing.



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Council Member Hilson noted that as the Council liaison to the Human Services Commission (HSC), he wanted to thank the Proposal Review Committee, a subcommittee of the HSC, which worked and reviewed to make the recommendations. He then referred to a letter from the HSC to request that this funding be continued as two-year cycle rather than the one-year recommendation. This would eliminate the insecurity of the present proposal. He said he agreed with this request, and was committed to the annual review by Council. He added that the annual review process is very staff intensive.

Council Member Henson also thanked the HSC and staff for performing this monumental task. He asked if the HSC had a formula to arrive at the break down in the final figures.

Social Services Planning Manager Korth explained that these findings were the result of the ninemonth process of the joint sessions with the Citizens Advisory Commission. He noted that the Council emphasis was for funding on children and families, older adults and those with disabilities programs. The full spectrum of needs were received and considered by staff and the HSC.

Council Member Henson said he had a particular concern for the lack of focus on seniors. He understood that programs for children and those with disabilities are necessary. He commented on the services provided by Spectrum and the lack of support from either staff or the HSC for this program.

Social Services Planning Manager Korth pointed out that the number of people to be served was a consideration. He pointed out other assistance being recommended for older adults including the Legal Assistance for Seniors, CRIL, and the Kinship Support Program through the Lincoln Child Center.

Council Member Jimenez asked about the needs of Tiburcio Vasquez and whether similar kinds of services could be offered by other agencies in the City of Hayward.

Social Services Planning Manager Korth noted that the administrative offices are located in Union City; however, there is no control over who submits applications for funding.

Council Member Rodriquez referred again to the need of seniors to live independently is on one end of the spectrum while the needs of low-income children are on the other. She expressed concern for La Familia not receiving funding. She noted her extensive experience with this agency.

Social Services Planning Manager Korth explained that his staff works with La Familia in other aspects to maintain that relationship, even outside the funding realms.

Council Member Ward asked how staff established the secondary consideration list.

Social Services Planning Manager Korth explained that when an allocation is made and the money is returned to the City for a particular reason, staff will offer the funding to the agency on this list. It eliminates returning to Council. This year, the Tiburcio project is the only one on the list.

Council Member Dowling congratulated the staff and commission members. He asked about the Tri-Cities Health Center. He referred to a letter that stated that there is a possibility of closing the Hayward office without further funding.

Social Services Planning Manager Korth explained that this is an agency, which was not funded in the previous year, and is providing services without City funds. He noted that there was no indication of enhanced or improved service with any additional City funding.

Neighborhood and Economic Development Manager Bauman said staff would be more than happy to work with the staff at the Center to help maintain services for the Hayward clientele.

Mayor Cooper opened the public hearing at 8:42 p.m.

Nancy Schluntz, representing FESCO Board of Directors, said they really appreciated the continuation of funding for their program. She said the need continues to grow as other funding is cut back.

Vonda Little, case manager for HOPE of Spectrum Community Services, submitted a statement of support for the seniors program that includes case management of approximately 155 seniors in the central county, supportive services, and housing subsidies. In response to questions from the Council, she reported that other sources of funding are provided by Union City, San Leandro and the County's Aging Services. She said she was not familiar with prior federal funding. Her position as case manager would take on the workload of another half-time position that will be cut from the budget in June.

John Church lives on Santa Clara Street and indicated that he is looking for humanitarian projects related to e-commerce. He said he is looking for other disabled persons to help put to work.

Mayor Cooper suggested he contact those agencies on the list for funding.

Joel Pena, representing Tiburcio Health Center, at Tennyson High School center, noted the various activities in Hayward. He thanked everyone for putting them on the list. He also explained the work of the Health Center. He described the various programs working with parents and related teen issues. Funding would provide teacher assistance. He reported that the Health Center might be completed by September.

Kasuf Olomi commented that he hopes to contribute on behalf of needy people.

Jason Moreno inquired about the application process.



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Council Member Rodriquez responded to his inquiries.

Mayor Cooper closed the public hearing at 9:07 p.m.

Council Member Hilson first asked for a friendly amendment to add the two-year cycle as recommended by the HSC. He then made a substitute motion in this regard. The motion died for lack of a second.

Council Member Henson said this had been addressed and with the upcoming budget years, it might be difficult without a review each year.

Council Member Dowling agreed that the City Council needs to look at the funding in light of each year's budget for funding of each program. He added that Spectrum provides critical services for the elderly. He asked for further information on where the City falls in the area with funding these programs.

Council Member Ward indicated his support for the motion. He said the decision to support local funding was made when Federal Government funding ceased. He then asked about the secondary list and whether this was not giving those on the list "false hope," when in fact, funding might not be available.

Council Member Henson added his own personal experiences with seniors in the community and the need for programs like HOPE in the City of Hayward.

Council Member Rodriquez emphasized the necessity for individualizing the senior community and their needs. She also thanked the committee for the work they do.

Mayor Cooper also thanked Spectrum for their help in the past as well. She said she was bothered by the concept of one person servicing all the people in this program. She agreed that putting them on the secondary list might raise expectations. The agency itself might be on a rocky path. She said she liked the idea of Tiburcio Vasquez backing the Health Clinic. She also thanked the HSC for the great job they did in developing this list in these difficult times.

Council Member Jimenez emphasized the great job the City of Hayward and the Council has done in providing financing for social services to the community.

It was <u>moved by Council Member Henson</u>, seconded by Council Member Dowling, and <u>unanimously carried</u> to adopt the following with the addition of the HOPE program of Spectrum on the secondary list:

Resolution 03-070, "Resolution Approving Social Services Funding for Fiscal Year 2003-04"

5. Approval of Community Development Block Grant Funding for Fiscal Year 2003-04

Staff report submitted by Neighborhood and Economic Development Manager Bauman, dated May 13, 2003, was filed.

Neighborhood and Economic Development Manager Bauman made the presentation, noting that the city was funded for \$300,000 more through the Federal Government. She noted that the deferred loan program is the basis for income for the program. It is a reimbursement program. She noted that they received 26 proposals for over \$4 million. She introduced Al Mendall, the Chair of the Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC), and discussed the presentations and the process as well as the appeals process.

Council Member Henson asked about the Eden Housing program depending on a variety of funding sources for their affordable housing goals. He asked how the City of Hayward promotes the Minor Home Repair Program.

Neighborhood and Economic Development Manager Bauman said information is sent to the households in targeted areas as well as to mobile-home owners. She noted that brochures are sent. At this point, there is a huge waiting list. The First Time Homebuyers Program is already in place. She indicated that they have at least one-workshop a month with Spanish-language workshops quarterly.

Council Member Jimenez said he was impressed with the Women of Faith [in] Recovery Home and the agency description.

Council Member Ward discussed the La Familia Counseling Center regarding the reason for lack of support at this time.

Neighborhood and Economic Development Manager Bauman explained that, although the City Council has a history of supporting the Center, the application is not eligible for support at this time. These recommendations are primarily for housing needs in the City of Hayward. This application, though worthy of support, is for operating support adding that this submission would have qualified under the social services funding.

Council Member Ward then discussed Eden Housing and working with the City in a variety of efforts.

Neighborhood and Economic Development Manager Bauman noted that this is their first proposal in 8 years. She added that other non-profits have not approached the City of Hayward recently. She commented that Eden is a very strong non-profit.



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Al Mendall explained that coming into the Eden program early with full funding will help them raise the funds they need. He explained that the CAC received four new applications from agencies. They recommended funding for only one of them. He noted that funding for the Eden I and R is not recommended. They cancelled the roving housing resource specialist program and proposed something that is not going to meet the needs of the area. He noted that when funding was provided to La Familia for funding the Center, there was an implicit agreement that funding for services would not be required from the City of Hayward. He said the Emergency Shelter Program (ESP) was trimmed by \$2,000 as a belt-tightening.

Michael Ales, Executive Director of Women of Faith Recovery Home, reported that his organization has proposed three names to the Secretary of State as they seek a name change.

Rodney Clark, Executive Director of SAVE, thanked the Human Services Commission, the City Council, Citizens Advisory Commission and staff for its continued support, in particular for supporting the WINGS program.

Melissa Erlbam works for SAVE and encouraged Council support of the WINGS program, which is a transitional housing program that serves domestic violence victims.

Margie Rocha, representing ECHO Housing, thanked the City Council for their support of housing counseling services.

Mayor Cooper closed the public hearing at 9:48 p.m.

Council Members Ward and Henson thanked the members of the CAC and staff for the great job they did this year.

Council Member Dowling commented that his understanding from the director of Eden I & R was that its program was caught between the requirements of Alameda County Associated Community Action Program (ACAP) and the City. Perhaps in the future the two agencies will be able to combine the interests of the clients.

It was <u>moved by Council Member Ward</u>, seconded by Council Member Jimenez, and <u>unanimously</u> <u>carried</u> to adopt the following:

Resolution 03-071, "Resolution Authorizing an Application for Federal Assistance Under the Community Development Block Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2003-2004 (Twenty-Ninth Year)"

## **COUNCIL REPORT**

Council Member Hilson received an email from the director of the National League of Cities that there is a proposal in Congress for a potential of about \$10 billion available for cities. He asked that Mayor Cooper call the respective Senators in the State to request their support for this program. Mayor Cooper thanked him for the information.

ADJOURNMENT	
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Mayor Cooper adjourned the meeting at 9:52 p.m.
APPROVED:
Roberta Cooper, Mayor, City of Hayward
ATTEST:
Angelina Reyes, City Clerk, City of Hayward